

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims to be in the form as follows:

Claim 1 (currently amended): An electronic device with an optical unit for reading information stored on an information plate and for writing information on an information plate, characterized in that the electronic device comprises a transport mechanism for the transport of information plates between a transfer position and a playing position provided both for reading and for writing, in that a memory unit is provided for the intermediate storage of information, and an alternate transport mechanism that can alternately move the information plates between the transfer position and a storage position, wherein at least two separate storage compartments are provided for information plates that are placed in the transfer position and the storage position, wherein the electronic device is designed for the transport of at least three information plates between the storage positions and the playing position, and in that the device is designed for the manufacture of a plurality of copies of an information plate to be copied within one copying cycle.

Claim 2 (original): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 1, characterized in that the electronic device is a video recorder for the playback and/or writing of information carriers on which video data are stored, in particular information carriers in accordance with the DVD standard, the VCD standard, the SVCD standard, the DVD-R standard, the DVD-RAM standard, and the DVD R/W standard.

Claim 3 (original): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 1, characterized in that the electronic device is an audio recorder for the playback and/or writing of information carriers on which audio data are stored, in particular information carriers in accordance with CD-R or CD-RW standard.

Claim 4 (cancelled)

Claim 5 (previously presented): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 1, characterized in that the electronic device is provided for the purpose of copying information from a first

information plate to a second information plate.

Claim 6 (previously presented): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 5, characterized in that the electronic device is provided for the purpose of alternatively in a first time interval information read from the first information plate into the intermediate storage of the memory unit, and in a second time interval the intermediate storage of information stored in the memory unit is written onto the second information plate.

Claim 7 (previously presented): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 1, characterized in that the alternate transport mechanism moves the separate compartments between the transfer position and the storage position.

Claim 8 (previously presented): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 7, characterized in that the transfer mechanism moves information plates between the playing position and the transfer position, the alternate transfer mechanism moves information plates between the transfer position and the storage position, allowing for information to be exchanged between information plates by placing information from a first information into the intermediate storage, alternating information plates in the playing position placing and placing information in the intermediate storage onto a second information plate.

Claim 9 (previously presented): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 1, characterized in that the transfer mechanism moves information plates between the playing position and the transfer position, the alternate transfer mechanism moves information plates between the transfer position and the storage position, such that a first information plate is moved by the transfer mechanism from the playing position into the transfer position and the alternate transfer mechanism moves the first information plate from a transfer position into the storage position and moves a second information plate from the storage position into the transfer position allowing the transfer mechanism to place the second information plate into the playing position so that information can be exchanged from the first information into the intermediate storage, alternating information plates in the playing position placing information in the intermediate storage on the second information plate.

Claim 10 (previously presented): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 1, characterized in that the transfer mechanism moves a first information plate from one of the compartments into the playing position so that the first information plate can be read by the optical unit and data read stored in the intermediate storage, the transfer mechanism then moves the first information plate from the playing position to the transfer position, the alternate transfer mechanism moves the first information plate between the transfer position and the storage position and places a second information plate from the storage position into transfer position, the transfer mechanism moves the second information plate into the playing position so that information within the intermediate storage can be placed onto the second information plate.

Claim 11 (currently amended): An electronic device with an optical unit for reading information stored on information plates and for writing information on information plates, the electronic device comprising:

- a storage magazine having at least two storage compartments with each compartment capable of holding an information plate;

- a transport mechanism that moves the information plate between a transfer position and a play position, wherein the optical unit can perform read/write operations on the information plate in the play position;

- an alternate transport mechanism that moves information plates while within their respective storage compartment between a storage position and the transfer position; and

- a memory unit operatively coupled to the optical unit having an intermediate storage for information received from read/write operations of the optical unit,

wherein the electronic device is designed for the transport of at least three information plates between the storage positions and the playing position, and in that the device is designed for the manufacture of a plurality of copies of an information plate to be copied within one copying cycle.

Claim 12 (previously presented): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 11, characterized in that the electronic device is a video recorder for the playback and/or writing of information carriers on which video data are stored, in particular information carriers in accordance with the

DVD standard, the VCD standard, the SVCD standard, the DVD-R standard, the DVD-RAM standard, and the DVD R/W standard.

Claim 13 (previously presented): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 11, characterized in that the electronic device is an audio recorder for the playback and/or writing of information carriers on which audio data are stored, in particular information carriers in accordance with CD-R or CD-RW standard.

Claim 14 (cancelled)

Claim 15 (previously presented): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 11, characterized in that the electronic device is provided for the purpose of copying information from a first information plate to a second information plate.

Claim 16 (previously presented): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 15, characterized in that the electronic device is provided for the purpose of alternatively in a first time interval information read from the first information plate into the intermediate storage of the memory unit, and in a second time interval the intermediate storage of information stored in the memory unit is written onto the second information plate.

Claim 17 (previously presented): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 11, characterized in that the alternate transport mechanism moves the separate compartments between the transfer position and the storage position.

Claim 18 (previously presented): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 17, characterized in that the transfer mechanism moves information plates between the playing position and the transfer position, the alternate transfer mechanism moves information plates between the transfer position and the storage position, allowing for information to be exchanged between information plates by placing information from a first information into the intermediate storage, alternating information plates in the playing position placing and placing information in the intermediate storage onto a second information plate.

Claim 19 (previously presented): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 11, characterized in that the transfer mechanism moves information plates between the playing position and the transfer position, the alternate transfer mechanism moves information plates between the transfer position and the storage position, such that a first information plate is moved by the transfer mechanism from the playing position into the transfer position and the alternate transfer mechanism moves the first information plate from a transfer position into the storage position and moves a second information plate from the storage position into the transfer position allowing the transfer mechanism to place the second information plate into the playing position so that information can be exchanged from the first information into the intermediate storage, alternating information plates in the playing position placing information in the intermediate storage on the second information plate.

Claim 20 (previously presented): An electronic device as claimed in Claim 11, characterized in that the transfer mechanism moves a first information plate from one of the compartments into the playing position so that the first information plate can be read by the optical unit and data read stored in the intermediate storage, the transfer mechanism then moves the first information plate from the playing position to the transfer position, the alternate transfer mechanism moves first information plate between the transfer position and the storage position and places a second information plate from the storage position into transfer position, the transfer mechanism moves the second information plate into the playing position so that information within the intermediate storage can be placed onto the second information plate.